Treasure State Cutting Horse Association

Board of Directors Meeting The Montana Club, Butte Sunday, February 6, 2022

Meeting called to order by Jessica Lee, President, at 11:12am

<u>Present</u>: Jessica Lee, Tye MacDonald, Billy Campbell, Jess Kirkpatrick, Karla Camp, Gretchen Dunn, Chris Basham, Lynn Bervy <u>Absent</u>: Scott Steyee <u>Guest</u>: Madelyn Kirkpatrick

Previous minutes read by Jessica Lee

Treasurer's Report by Gretchen Dunn Checking Balance: \$15,847.60 Savings Balance: \$6,332.12

BANKING

Treasure State Cutting Club name amended to DBA: Treasure State Cutting Horse Association. Initial votes were taken prior to this meeting on January 20, 2022 via email/text – all were in favor of the amendment. Approving this early allowed the officers to make necessary changes with the State, legal entities and consult with Wells Fargo. Officially voted on at this meeting. **MOTION: CARRIED**

DBA allows us to keep original Tax ID #

PAID POSITIONS

Kelly Fraser and Ashley Lee are available this year for Show Secretary duties Tami Allen is available to be Announcer at our shows

Checks & Balances must be in place for all shows this year: including, but not limited to: Producer Agreement, Cattle Supplier Agreement and Facility Agreement must be available to Show Secretary prior to settling with all parties at the close of each show. Show Secretaries are provided with a Fee Schedule prior to each show so they are aware of parameters to pay Judge, Announcer and Show Secretary.

SHOW SCHEDULE

March 19-20	Beginners Clinic with Jess Kirkpatrick & Chris Basham Dooling Ranch in Jackson
April 8-9	406 Arena, Vaughn (First show to include an Awards Ceremony with a silent auction, and General Membership meeting.
May 27-29	Saddle Peak Arena, Belgrade
June 3-5	Kimpton Ranch, Toston **Tentative**
July 1-3	Dooling Ranch, Jackson
July 29-31	Twin Bridges **Tentative**
August 5-7	Never Sweat Ranch, Hamilton
August 26-28	Cascade (Skip Helms, We would need to set up pens, panels, water, sand. He is good on cows)
Sept 9-11	Saddle Peak Arena, Belgrade (Year End Show - practice Fri, Show Sat & Sun, Awards Banquet Sunday following show. Will need additional time to clean and organize as Karen has been ill.)

Nixed Whitehall & 5C locations for shows are their rates have increased Saddle Peak Arena pretty available for the summer, as of now, RMBA in May. Saddle Peak will not be charging for arena usage.

CLASSES FOR 2022

Keep all the same classes as 2021.

Move the Cowhorse Bridle Open (and NP, if necessary to combine) to go after the Open. **MOTION CARRIED**

NEW: "**Ranch Horse**" Class. Beginner class, anyone can ride any horse with any legal bit. Everyone is eligible to ride whether they have earnings in cutting horse competition or not. The class will be judged using all the guidelines for judging an NCHA class EXCEPT reining will be excluded from penalty points. The rider may use two hands or one hand and can change throughout the class and rein as often as needed. All other items on the judge's card will be considered in judging. Class does not offer payouts,

but one year end award will be given for the high point earner in this class. Year-end winner does NOT graduate from class. **MOTION CARRIED**

Both the new Ranch Horse and \$1,500 Novice Open classes will run essentially as practice classes at a low cost with no payouts. Both qualify for one year end award each, being a high-quality buckle. **MOTION CARRIED**

New class order:

OPFN COWHORSE BRIDLE (& NP, if combined) NON-PRO COWHORSE BRIDLE NP COWHORSE HACKAMORE/SNAFFLE COWHORSE HACKAMORE/SNAFFLE NP RANCH HORSE (used) \$5,000 NOVICE HORSE \$5,000 NOVICE HORSE NP YOUTH (first used cattle class) \$10,000 AMATEUR (used, or if fresh, run before the Youth) \$2,000 LIMIT RIDER (used) \$500 LIMIT RIDER (used) \$1,500 NOVICE OPEN (used) NEVER WON A BUCKLE

SHOWS

Producer Agreement, Cattle Supplier Agreement and Facility Agreements must all be signed by both parties and submitted to either Chris or Jessica prior to the show. It is their duty to ensure the information is provided to the Show Secretary and then the Treasurer for records.

<u>FRESH</u>: Cutoff date for fresh cattle entries is the Wednesday prior to the show at 9:00pm. A late fee of \$10.00 is charged if entering after the deadline but before the draw in the class.

<u>USED</u>: Pre-entry not required but appreciated. No penalty for cancelation, enter any time before draw of class on show day. **MOTION CARRIED**

No show pays our expense for the cattle secured for them and must be settled up prior to showing again.

Karla requested fresh cattle for 10AM is possible.

Tye suggested we could use the cattle again next day for a Cowhorse practice.

This year, we will have two people per show handling details. There will be one designated point person for Show Secretary to consult with about expenses.

Implement a generic Facility Agreement with facility management in the event they do not offer one. This will help ensure we do not have unforeseen expenses. **MOTION CARRIED**

Generally agreed to continue using the honor system for flag works.

Tye suggests added money for higher classes, prizes: bridle, buckle, etc.

Jess would like to see random draw for prizes per class, shop donations

This year, we offer the membership an incentive to get a Bronze to Platinum sponsorship to qualify for a free membership.

NWB class for two-day shows only (Jess' & Never Sweat Ranch, if two days)

Agreed to drop \$8 Turnback fee on <u>all used cattle classes</u>. MOTION CARRIED

No entry fee for new Ranch Horse class. \$35 for cattle + \$15 office = \$50. No entry fee for \$1,500 Novice Open class. \$40 cattle + \$15 office = \$55. **MOTION CARRIED**

AWARDS

Keep 4 places for fresh and used cattle classes

Qualification: must attend at least 3 shows to qualify for a year end award. **MOTION CARRIED**

Gist Knife Award: This award stands alone and is not part of regular year end awards. ONE given at year end for maximum attendance, highest cumulative points earned in <u>all</u> <u>used cattle classes</u>. In the event of a tie, run a shootout on used cattle. **MOTION CARRIED**

Rookie of the Year Award: Must be a rider's <u>first year</u> in the \$500, \$2,000 & Ranch Horse classes. Board will decide on recipient prior to the year-end Awards Banquet.

NEW WEBSITE

Big Sky Internet Design, their specialty is cutting horses, ranch/farm websites. **MOTION CARRIED**

INVENTORY/APPAREL

Scott has all TSCHA equipment and banners. Says there is not much leftover apparel from last year.

Continue to offer more variety. Need more Sm. & Med.

(4) New flag/banners: "TSCHA" exchange & hang at other shows (RMBA, CMRCHA)

Next Meeting via Zoom: March 16th, 7:00pm link will be sent.

Meeting adjourned 2:38pm

Minutes by Lynn Bervy/Secretary

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